## What If...

#### If you find signs of cultivation:

- 1. Get out immediately!

  Do not linger to take photos or coordinates.
- 2. Go back the way you came. You've already established that the route is safe.
- 3. Make as little noise as possible.

  If the garden is occupied, they may not be aware of you.
- 4. Get to a safe location.

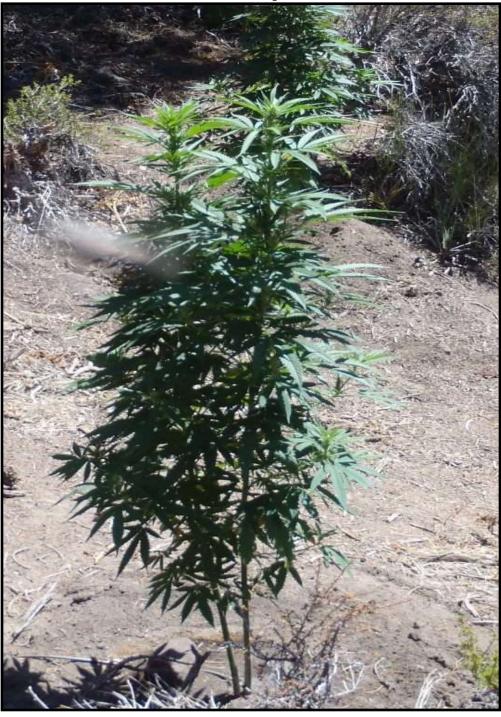
  Run, walk, crawl or hide... just make yourself safe.
- 5. Notify FICC Dispatch (numbers below).
- 6. Be prepared to provide your <u>exact</u> location. Coordinates are great but a physical description will do.
- 7. Get to your vehicle if possible If you can, drive away.

### **FICC Dispatch:**

909-383-5651 760-786-2330 888-233-6518



# Marijuana Cultivation in Death Valley National Park



## **Safety First**

#### **Before Going Into the Backcountry:**

1. Pre-Plan

Know what to do and what to look for.

- 2. Check Area Status w/ NPS Rangers Is this a known problem area?
- 3. Ensure You Have Communications
  Do you have functional cell phones or satellite phones?
  Keep in mind cell phone service is very limited.
- 5. Share Your Itinerary

  Tell someone where you will be and when you are expected to return.
- 6. Check-In / Check-Out

  Let someone know your status
- 7. Travel in Pairs When Possible
  Groups are less likely to be confronted, more likely to see hazards, and can provide aide to each other.

# Remember:

Marijuana can grow <u>anywhere</u> there is water and a little soil.

Marijuana and marijuana gardeners require the same things as all people, plants and wildlife. Any location that has supported or could support humans, plants and animals is a potential garden.

## **Be Alert**

#### **Look Out For:**



Black vinyl hose Fertilizer Root balls Signs of digging

Limbed or felled trees Camp structures made of native wood

> Piles of dead stems Level, cleared areas Unusual trails Unusual litter on trails

Anything or anybody that seems out of place at that location.

Tip: Fresh marijuana smells a little like skunk.